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SUBJECT: OMAN RESPONSE TO PA ASSISTANCE REQUEST

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Classified By: Ambassador Gary A. Grappo, reasons 1.4 b and d

¶1. (C) On August 12, the Ambassador raised reftel points with Yusuf bin Alawi, Minister Responsible for Foreign Affairs. Bin Alawi responded that while the Omani government channels all its foreign assistance to the Palestinian Authority through the Arab League, he would "take a look" at what the Sultanate could do in terms of direct assistance and respond accordingly.

¶2. (C) Comment. We expect that bin Alawi may be prepared to provide a response to this request during A/S Welch's August 23-25 visit to Muscat. End Comment.
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